

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Examiner in immediately preceding parent application:

L.B. Tran:

Timothy P. Herrmann

Serial No.: N/A

Filed: Herewith

Anticipated Group Art Unit: 3721

FOR: AUTOMATED POST DRIVER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application, under 37 CFR §1.53(b), of pending prior Application Serial No. 09/654,794 filed on September 5, 2000 for an invention entitled AUTOMATED POST DRIVER.

- 1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the inventor's DECLARATION of <u>Timothy P. Herrmann</u>, as originally filed on <u>September 5, 2000</u>.
- 2. I hereby verify that the enclosed papers are a true copy of prior Application Serial No. 09/654,794 as filed on September 5, 2000, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

3. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED						
FOR:	(1) No. Filed	(2) No. Extra	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER	
			RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	\$375	xxxxxx	\$750
TOTAL CLAIMS	20-20=	0	X 9=	\$ 0	X 18=	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3- 3=	0	X 42=	\$ 0	X 84=	\$
() MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED			+140=	\$ 0	+280=	\$
TOTAL				\$375	xxxxxx	\$

- 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 14-0620.
- 5. A verified statement to establish small entity status in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §§1.9 and 1.27 is of record in the prior application, and such status is still proper and desired.
- 6. Amend the specification by inserting, immediately before "TECHNICAL FIELD" on page 1 thereof, the sentence --This is a continuation of copending Application Serial No. 09/654,794 filed on September 5, 2000.--
- 7. Please find enclosed <u>Eighteen</u> (18) sheets of drawings.
- 8. The power of attorney in the prior application is to <u>Lawrence M. Nawrocki</u>. The power appears in the papers in the prior application file, and a copy is enclosed. Address all future communications to:

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" having an Express Mail mailing label number of: EV 332 554 171 US, in an envelope address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231 on this By

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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- □ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- Other: Request for Continuation Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b); Copy of Application Ser. No. 09/654,794 including Declaration/Power of Attorney for Patent Application and Eighteen (18) Sheets of Drawings.
- Please charge any deficiencies or credit any over payment in the enclosed fees to Deposit Account 14-0620.

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